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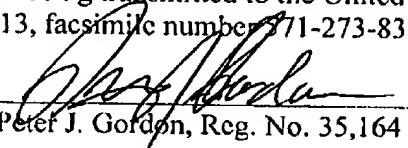
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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of June 3, 2005, the Applicant submits this Reply.

Applicant hereby petitions for a **3-month extension of time** to submit this Reply.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper, of which the **Conclusion** is on page 7.

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